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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007–08 REGULAR SESSION

## ASSEMBLY BILL

**No. 138**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Bass  
(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Lieu)  
(Coauthor: Assembly Member DeVore)**

January 16, 2007

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An act to add Section 22511.3 to the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 138, as amended, Bass. Vehicles: veterans: parking.

(1) Existing law authorizes the issuance of special license plates by the Department of Motor Vehicles for certain qualified veterans for their vehicles.

This bill would authorize veterans displaying those special license plates on their vehicles to park, without charge, in a state or local authority parking facility, a parking space in a time restricted zone of one hour or more, or a metered parking space, as specified. The bill would impose a new duty on a local agency by requiring the local agency to provide a program for implementation of these requirements, thereby creating a state-mandated local program.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state,

reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: yes.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 22511.3 is added to the Vehicle Code,  
2     to read:  
3     22511.3. (a) A veteran displaying special license plates issued  
4     under Section 5101.3, 5101.4, 5101.5, 5101.6, or 5101.8 may park  
5     his or her motor vehicle, weighing not more than 6,000 pounds  
6     gross weight, without charge, in any of the following zones:  
7     (1) A parking space in a state or local authority parking facility,  
8     except as follows:  
9     (A) A parking space that is specifically designated by a number,  
10    marking, name, or title for a particular person, particular permittee,  
11    or indicating assignment to a state or local government employee.  
12    (B) A parking space that, under the law, is reserved for a  
13    particular type of vehicle.  
14    (2) A parking space in a time restricted zone of one hour or  
15    more.  
16    (3) A metered parking space.  
17    (b) Nothing in this section restricts the rights of a person  
18    displaying either a special identification license plate issued  
19    pursuant to Section 5007 or a distinguishing placard issued  
20    pursuant to Section 22511.55 or 22511.59.  
21    (c) (1) This section does not exempt a vehicle displaying special  
22    license plates issued under Section 5101.3, 5101.4, 5101.5, 5101.6,  
23    or 5101.8 from compliance with any other state law or ordinance,  
24    including, but not limited to, vehicle height restrictions, zones that  
25    prohibit stopping, parking, or standing of all vehicles, parking time  
26    limitations, street sweeping, restrictions of the parking space to a  
27    particular type of vehicle, or the parking of a vehicle that is  
28    involved in the operation of a street vending business.  
29    (2) This section does not authorize a vehicle displaying special  
30    license plates issued under Section 5101.3, 5101.4, 5101.5, 5101.6,  
31    or 5101.8 to park in a state parking facility that is designated only  
32    for state employees.

1 (3) This section does not authorize a vehicle displaying special  
2 license plates issued under Section 5101.3, 5101.4, 5101.5, 5101.6,  
3 or 5101.8 to park during time periods other than the normal  
4 business hours of, or the maximum time allotted by, a state or local  
5 authority parking facility.

6 (4) *This section does not require the state or a local authority*  
7 *to designate specific parking spaces for vehicles displaying special*  
8 *license plates issued under Section 5101.3, 5101.4, 5101.5, 5101.6,*  
9 *or 5101.8.*

10 SEC. 2. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that  
11 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to  
12 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made  
13 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division  
14 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.